



# Township of FERGUSON Pennsylvania

## March 2020 e-Newsletter

Coronavirus Update, Zoning Map Amendments,  
Brush & Leaf Collection and More!



Pictured Above: The Ferguson Township Municipal Building with the US Flag and PA Flag blowing on the breeze on a sunny day in late February.

### Ferguson Township Upcoming Events

**March 16**

[Board of Supervisors Meeting](#)

**March 19**

[Parks & Recreation Meeting](#)

**March 24**

[Zoning Hearing Board](#)

**April 6**

[Brush & Leaf Collection Begins](#)

[Board of Supervisors Meeting](#)

**April 11**

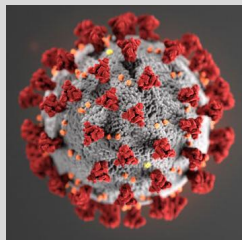
[Coffee & Conversation](#)

Please note, due the Coronavirus, meetings listed may be cancelled in the future. Please visit our website to check if any have been cancelled.

## General Township News

### Coronavirus Local Updates

Ferguson Township is currently working with Centre Region Communicators to provide the latest updates on the Coronavirus. You can find those updates below along with tips to keep you and your family protected during this outbreak below.



**CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES**

### Ferguson Park Pieces & iNaturalist

Penn State student, Kate Main shared her thoughts on visiting Ferguson Township's parks and the new companion app iNaturalist. "Next time you visit one of the Township's parks, consider taking time to explore the plants and wildlife that might be sharing the park with you" said Parks & Recreation Committee Member, Norris Muth regarding the iNaturalist phone app.



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## Administration News

### Coffee & Conversation at Dunkin Donuts!



Join Ferguson Township staff and neighbors for the second Coffee & Conversation on **April 11, 2020** from 8:00am to 9:30am at **Dunkin Donuts on North Atherton.**

[EVENT DETAILS](#)

[ALL 2020 DATES](#)

### Ferguson Township Attended Penn's State Impact Fair



Ferguson Township Staff attended the Penn State Impact Career Fair back in late February. The career fair was created to showcase employers whose mission is to make a positive impact on the community. Staff was impressed with the quality of the students who attended and received many resumes from potential internship candidates.

[SEE MORE ABOUT THIS EVENT](#)

## Finance & Tax News

### Ferguson Township Receives CAFR Award for 2018

Ferguson Township's Finance Department received the "Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting" for its 2018 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. The award granted to recognize individual governments that succeed in going beyond the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles.



[LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS AWARD](#)

### 2020 Tax Rate Information



The 2020 Tax Rates are available on the Township's website. Rates listed include Township Real Estate, County Real Estate, School Real Estate, and Township Earned Real Estate Taxes.

[VIEW TAX RATES HERE](#)

## Planning & Zoning News

### Zoning Map Amendments

### Update to Short Term Rentals

Back in November, the Board of Supervisors amended



After the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance & Zoning Ordinance were amended in November, the next step is to amend the Ferguson Township Zoning Map. For the first phase, the Board of Supervisors identified the first 7 areas to be updated.

[SEE THE LIST OF AREAS TO BE AMENDED](#)

Chapter 27, Zoning Ordinance that included new regulations for Short Term Rentals. The regulations are intended to balance the economic opportunity created by Short Term Rentals with the need to maintain the Township's housing supply and protect the right and safety of owners, guests and neighbors.



[LEARN MORE ABOUT CHANGES TO SHORT-TERM RENTALS](#)

## Police News

### Solicitation & Peddling Ordinance

Door-to-door retail is seeing a resurgence and organizations like the IRS are taking part. The Ferguson Township Police Department would like to remind our residents of the ordinance that governs the time of day that these organizations are allowed to go door-to-door.



[LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ORDINANCE](#)

### Recreational Fires and Fire Pits

Warmer weather is on the way and with it, residents partaking in recreational fires and fire pits. The Ferguson Township Police Department would like to remind our residents of the requirements that are in place to protect our residents when having recreational fires or fire pits.



[LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE REQUIREMENTS](#)

## Public Works News

### Brush & Leaf Collection Begins!

Our Public Works crew is starting up Brush & Leaf Collection **Monday, April 6**. Place Brush & Leaf curbside by 7 am. See our full list of guidelines for collection on our website.



[BRUSH & LEAF COLLECTION GUIDELINES](#)

### Stormwater Advisory Committee Upcoming Meetings

The Ferguson Township Stormwater Advisory Committee has one upcoming meetings in mid-April to discuss the structure of a Township-wide Stormwater Fee.



[LEARN MORE ABOUT THE STORMWATER FEE STUDY](#)

## Learn More About Township Authorities, Boards, and Commissions

[Planning Commission](#)

[Parks & Recreation  
Committee](#)

[Board of Supervisors](#)

[Tree Commission](#)

[Zoning Hearing Board](#)

## Helpful Links

### Finance & Tax

[2020 Tax Rates and Information](#)

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### Planning & Zoning

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### Police Department

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